

# Northeast Multispecies Preliminary Fisheries Statistics

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The preliminary fisheries statistics indicating stock areas and gears in this report were derived by prorating available dealer weighout and vessel log data. These preliminary statistics, therefore, represent the currently available information, but are subject to revisions in the future.

1. The three digit statistical areas defined below are for statistical and management purposes and may not be consistent with stock area delineation used for biological assessment. (see the attached statistical chart).

### Cod Stock Areas:

Gulf of Maine: 464, 465, 511-515

Georges Bank: 521-637

### Haddock stock Areas:

Gulf of Maine: 464, 465, 511-515

Georges Bank: 521-526, 533, 534, 537-539, 541-543, 551, 552, 561 & 562.

Southern New England / Mid-Atlantic: 611-639

### Yellowtail Stock Areas:

Gulf of Maine: 464, 465, 511-513, 515.

Cape Cod: 514, 521.

Georges Bank: 522, 525, 542, 543, 551, 552, 561, 562.

Southern New England / Mid-Atlantic: 526, 533, 534, 537-539, 541, 611-639.

2. Landings in live weight.

3. State landings for Connecticut are estimated for the May, 1997 -January, 1998 period and New York landings are estimated for the May - December, 1997 period.

4. Landings data for the fishing year 1994/1995 includes data for "Unknown" months in 1994 that accounts for 0.22% of the 1994 total landings for cod; and 1.86% of the total landings for yellowtail flounder. The "Unknown" months data were evenly distributed across all months of 1994.

5. Gear data are based on vessel trip reports.

\* Fishing Year is May 1 through April 30.

**TABLE 1.A - PRELIMINARY COD LANDINGS BY STOCK AREA**

	NOV - 1997		DEC - 1997		JAN - 1998		MAY 97 - JAN 98		1997/1998*		1996/1997*		FISHING YEAR* LANDINGS 1000 LBS
									MAY 97-JAN 98 ASA % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	MAY 96-JAN 97 ASA % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	
	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT					
<b>GULF OF MAINE</b>	<b>1,102</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>893</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>724</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>8,516</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>148%</b>	<b>5,743</b>	<b>210%</b>	<b>6,100</b>	
OTTER TRAWL	569	38%	425	22%	452	30%	4,576	22%	80%		116%		
GILLNET	482	32%	232	12%	117	8%	3,356	16%	58%		83%		
HOOK	41	3%	224	12%	135	9%	464	2%	8%		7%		
OTHER GEARS	11	1%	11	1%	20	1%	121	1%	2%		4%		
<b>GEORGES BANK</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>1,052</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>789</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>12,590</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>157%</b>	<b>8,038</b>	<b>287%</b>	<b>4,100</b>	
OTTER TRAWL	260	17%	517	27%	394	26%	7,482	35%	93%		166%		
GILLNET	56	4%	48	2%	48	3%	2,679	13%	33%		66%		
HOOK	19	1%	296	15%	252	17%	1,593	8%	20%		33%		
OTHER GEARS	55	4%	191	10%	95	6%	835	4%	10%		22%		
<b>ALL AREAS</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,944</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>21,106</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>153%</b>	<b>13,781</b>	<b>241%</b>	<b>10,200</b>	
OTTER TRAWL	829	56%	942	48%	846	56%	12,057	57%	87%		136%		
GILLNET	537	36%	280	14%	166	11%	6,035	29%	44%		76%		
HOOK	60	4%	520	27%	387	26%	2,057	10%	15%		18%		
OTHER GEARS	66	4%	202	10%	115	8%	956	5%	7%		11%		
<b>LANDINGS - ALL AREAS</b>													
FISHING YEAR 1997/1998	1,492		1,944		1,513		21,106						-
FISHING YEAR 1996/1997	1,785		1,744		1,289		24,565						31,840
FISHING YEAR 1995/1996	2,432		1,550		1,783		23,924						30,258
FISHING YEAR 1994/1995	2,161		2,183		1,586		26,934						33,298

**TABLE 1.B - PRELIMINARY COD LANDINGS BY MAJOR PORTS AND STATES, MAY, 1997-JANUARY, 1998**

PORT/STATE	MAY 97-JAN 98	STOCK AREAS				GEAR TYPES							
		GULF OF MAINE		GEORGES BANK		OTTER TRAWL		GILLNET		HOOK		OTHER GEARS	
	1000 LBS	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%
PORTLAND,ME	2,620	1,917	73%	703	27%	2,052	78%	469	18%	81	3%	18	1%
GLOUCESTER,MA	3,789	2,803	74%	986	26%	2,328	61%	1,061	28%	369	10%	30	1%
BOSTON,MA	1,703	336	20%	1,367	80%	1,673	98%	0	0%	30	2%	0	0%
NEW BEDFORD,MA	4,486	308	7%	4,178	93%	4,448	99%	6	0%	0	0%	31	1%
PT JUDITH, RI	132	46	35%	86	65%	108	81%	0	0%	0	0%	25	19%
MAINE	3,146	2,431	77%	715	23%	2,318	74%	708	23%	85	3%	36	1%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,716	1,715	100%	1	0%	343	20%	1,354	79%	10	1%	9	1%
MASSACHUSETTS	15,835	4,319	27%	11,515	73%	9,031	57%	3,969	25%	1,962	12%	873	6%
RHODE ISLAND	366	46	13%	320	87%	337	92%	1	0%	0	0%	28	8%
CONNECTICUT	16	3	18%	13	82%	13	81%	3	17%	0	0%	0	2%
NEW YORK	27	1	3%	26	97%	16	58%	1	3%	0	0%	10	38%
NEW JERSEY	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
OTHER NORTHEAST	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21,106</b>	<b>8,516</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>12,590</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>12,057</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>6,035</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>2,057</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>956</b>	<b>5%</b>

**TABLE 2A - PRELIMINARY HADDOCK LANDINGS BY STOCK AREA**

	NOV - 1997		DEC - 1997		JAN - 1998		MAY 97 - JAN 98		1997/1998*		1996/1997*		FISHING YEAR*
									MAY 97-JAN 98		MAY 96-JAN 97		
	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	AS A % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	AS A % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	LANDINGS 1000 LBS
<b>GULF OF MAINE</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>37%</b>					
OTTER TRAWL	236	59%	126	33%	89	16%	962	29%					
GILLNET	21	5%	11	3%	4	1%	106	3%					
HOOK	28	7%	41	11%	61	11%	160	5%					
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	7	0%					
<b>GEORGES BANK</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>2,067</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>3,545</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>6,200</b>	
OTTER TRAWL	105	27%	175	46%	379	70%	1,919	58%	54%		7%		
GILLNET	1	0%	3	1%	7	1%	47	1%	1%		1%		
HOOK	6	1%	22	6%	3	1%	92	3%	3%		2%		
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	8	0%	0%		0%		
<b>SNEMID-ATLANTIC</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0%</b>					
OTTER TRAWL	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%					
GILLNET	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	2	0%					
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%					
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%					
<b>ALL AREAS</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,305</b>	<b>100%</b>					
OTTER TRAWL	341	86%	301	80%	468	86%	2,882	87%					
GILLNET	22	6%	14	4%	11	2%	155	5%					
HOOK	33	8%	63	17%	64	12%	253	8%					
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	15	0%					
<b>LANDINGS - ALL AREAS</b>													
FISHING YEAR 1997/1998	397		379		544		3,305						-
FISHING YEAR 1996/1997	128		135		134		1,133						1,539
FISHING YEAR 1995/1996	71		64		79		704						881
FISHING YEAR 1994/1995	49		60		69		573						784

**TABLE 2.B - PRELIMINARY HADDOCK LANDINGS BY MAJOR PORTS AND STATES, MAY, 1997-JANUARY, 1998**

		STOCK AREAS						GEAR TYPES							
PORT/STATE	MAY 97-JAN 98	GULF OF MAINE		GEORGES BANK		MID-ATLANTIC		OTTER TRAWL		GILLNET		HOOK		OTHER GEARS	
	1000 LBS	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%
PORTLAND,ME	995	673	68%	319	32%	3	0%	904	91%	29	3%	61	6%	0	0%
GLOUCESTER,MA	711	373	52%	339	48%	0	0%	555	78%	49	7%	103	14%	5	1%
BOSTON,MA	649	117	18%	531	82%	0	0%	649	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW BEDFORD,MA	670	10	1%	660	99%	0	0%	662	99%	0	0%	0	0%	8	1%
PT JUDITH, RI	4	0	0%	4	100%	0	0%	4	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MAINE	1,006	684	68%	320	32%	3	0%	913	91%	31	3%	62	6%	0	0%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	25	24	99%	0	1%	0	0%	2	9%	22	91%	0	0%	0	1%
MASSACHUSETTS	2,227	527	24%	1,699	76%	0	0%	1,919	86%	102	5%	191	9%	15	1%
RHODE ISLAND	42	0	0%	42	100%	0	0%	42	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
CONNECTICUT	1	0	11%	1	89%	0	1%	1	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW YORK	4	0	0%	4	98%	0	2%	4	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW JERSEY	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
OTHER NORTHEAST	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,305</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>2,067</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>2,882</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0%</b>

**TABLE 3.A - PRELIMINARY YELLOWTAIL FLOUNDER LANDINGS BY STOCK AREA**

	NOV - 1997		DEC - 1997		JAN - 1998		MAY 97 - JAN 98		1997/1998*		1996/1997*		FISHING YEAR* LANDINGS 1000 LBS
									MAY 97-JAN 98 ASA % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	MAY 96-JAN 97 ASA % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	
	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT					
<b>GULF OF MAINE</b>	3	1%	1	0%	6	2%	112	3%					
OTTER TRAWL	3	1%	1	0%	5	2%	74	2%					
GILLNET	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	38	1%					
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%					
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%					
<b>CAPE COD</b>	371	91%	200	29%	125	40%	1,507	44%					
OTTER TRAWL	367	90%	196	28%	111	36%	1,369	40%					
GILLNET	2	0%	2	0%	11	4%	110	3%					
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%					
OTHER GEARS	3	1%	2	0%	3	1%	29	1%					
<b>GEORGES BANK</b>	20	5%	421	61%	88	28%	1,256	37%	73%	1,711	144%	849	
OTTER TRAWL	19	5%	420	61%	87	28%	1,227	36%	72%		141%		
GILLNET	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0%		2%		
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0%		0%		
OTHER GEARS	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%	28	1%	2%		2%		
<b>SNE MID-ATLANTIC</b>	12	3%	68	10%	91	29%	534	16%	29%	1,817	277%	331	
OTTER TRAWL	10	2%	64	9%	88	29%	504	15%	28%		265%		
GILLNET	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0%		1%		
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	0%		0%		
OTHER GEARS	2	0%	4	1%	2	1%	28	1%	2%		11%		
<b>ALL AREAS</b>	406	100%	690	100%	310	100%	3,410	100%					
OTTER TRAWL	399	98%	681	99%	292	94%	3,174	93%					
GILLNET	2	0%	2	0%	12	4%	149	4%					
HOOK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%					
OTHER GEARS	5	1%	7	1%	6	2%	86	3%					
<b>LANDINGS - ALL AREAS</b>													
FISHING YEAR 1997/1998	406		690		310		3,410						-
FISHING YEAR 1996/1997	315		711		604		3,791						6,252
FISHING YEAR 1995/1996	378		332		300		3,019						4,803
FISHING YEAR 1994/1995	730		658		233		5,925						7,225

**TABLE 3.B - PRELIMINARY YELLOWTAIL FLOUNDER LANDINGS BY MAJOR PORTS AND STATES, MAY, 1997-JANUARY, 1998**

PORT/STATE	MAY 97-JAN 98 1000 LBS	STOCK AREAS								GEAR TYPES							
		GULF OF MAINE		CAPE COD		GEORGES BANK & GEORGES BANK SOUTH		SNE, SNE SOUTH & MID ATLANTIC		OTTER TRAWL		GILLNET		HOOK		OTHER GEARS	
		1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%	1000 LBS	%
PORTLAND,ME	22	16	71%	1	4%	5	24%	0	0%	19	88%	3	12%	0	0%	0	1%
GLOUCESTER,MA	346	17	5%	321	93%	8	2%	0	0%	299	86%	41	12%	0	0%	6	2%
BOSTON,MA	232	0	0%	224	96%	8	4%	0	0%	232	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW BEDFORD,MA	1,847	1	0%	619	34%	1,116	60%	111	6%	1,793	97%	1	0%	0	0%	53	3%
PT JUDITH, RI	186	0	0%	0	0%	13	7%	172	93%	184	99%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%
MAINE	27	20	75%	1	5%	5	20%	0	0%	24	89%	3	10%	0	0%	0	1%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	65	64	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	39	60%	26	40%	0	0%	0	0%
MASSACHUSETTS	2,795	27	1%	1,506	54%	1,146	41%	115	4%	2,607	93%	120	4%	0	0%	67	2%
RHODE ISLAND	278	0	0%	0	0%	88	32%	191	68%	274	99%	0	0%	1	1%	3	1%
CONNECTICUT	18	0	0%	0	0%	1	3%	17	97%	9	47%	0	0%	0	0%	9	53%
NEW YORK	196	0	0%	0	0%	15	8%	180	92%	196	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW JERSEY	31	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	31	100%	25	81%	0	0%	0	0%	6	19%
OTHER NORTHEAST	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,410</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>1,256</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>3,174</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>3%</b>

**TABLE 4 - PRELIMINARY MULTISPECIES LANDINGS \*\***

	FISHING YEAR*	NOV - 1997		DEC - 1997		JAN - 1998		MAY 97 - JAN 98		1997/1998*		1996/1997*		FISHING YEAR* LANDINGS 1000 LBS
		1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	1000 LBS	PERCENT	MAY 97-JAN 98 AS A % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	MAY 96-JAN 97 AS A % OF TARGET TAC	TARGET TAC (1000 LBS)	
Atlantic Pollock	1997/1998	843	27%	1,049	35%	969	54%	7,914	24%	14%				
	1996/1997	570	18%	722	25%	532	30%	5,590	16%			10%		
	1995/1996	624	19%	626	25%	512	27%	5,152	15%					
	1994/1995	673	20%	797	26%	862	38%	6,083	17%					
Redfish	1997/1998	24	1%	36	1%	29	2%	351	1%	1%				
	1996/1997	38	1%	33	1%	34	2%	478	1%			1%		
	1995/1996	39	1%	40	2%	49	3%	725	2%					
	1994/1995	43	1%	49	2%	34	1%	687	2%					
White Hake	1997/1998	449	14%	315	10%	145	8%	4,174	13%	7%				
	1996/1997	520	16%	269	9%	224	13%	6,287	18%			11%		
	1995/1996	808	25%	386	16%	298	16%	8,422	24%					
	1994/1995	647	19%	488	16%	310	14%	8,620	24%					
American Plaice	1997/1998	431	14%	378	12%	260	14%	6,646	20%	12%				
	1996/1997	580	18%	485	16%	390	22%	8,205	23%			15%		
	1995/1996	582	18%	413	17%	399	21%	8,636	25%					
	1994/1995	682	20%	605	19%	401	18%	9,299	26%					
Winter Flounder	1997/1998	915	29%	928	31%	169	9%	10,567	32%	19%				
	1996/1997	926	29%	968	33%	283	16%	9,500	27%			17%		
	1995/1996	666	21%	593	24%	260	14%	7,584	22%					
	1994/1995	874	26%	740	24%	258	11%	6,694	18%					
Witch Flounder	1997/1998	186	6%	259	9%	197	11%	2,874	9%	5%				
	1996/1997	275	9%	324	11%	242	14%	3,562	10%			6%		
	1995/1996	252	8%	242	10%	280	15%	3,523	10%					
	1994/1995	355	10%	347	11%	350	15%	4,174	11%					
Windowpane Flounder	1997/1998	318	10%	72	2%	32	2%	681	2%	1%				
	1996/1997	308	10%	145	5%	40	2%	1,427	4%			3%		
	1995/1996	262	8%	155	6%	88	5%	976	3%					
	1994/1995	138	4%	94	3%	47	2%	910	2%					
All 7 Species - Total	1997/1998	3,166	100%	3,037	100%	1,802	100%	33,206	100%	59%	56,200			-
	1996/1997	3,217	100%	2,946	100%	1,745	100%	35,049	100%			62%	56,200	42,145
	1995/1996	3,232	100%	2,455	100%	1,885	100%	35,019	100%					41,140
	1994/1995	3,411	100%	3,120	100%	2,261	100%	36,467	100%					44,744